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The present invention relates generally to a novel nucleic acid molecule. More particularly, the present invention relates to a male germ line cell specific genetic sequence in plants. Male germ line cells include generative cells and sperm cells. Even more particularly, the present invention provides a male germ line specific gene or functional equivalent thereof and to the promoter of said gene or its functional derivatives and their use in generating a range of mutant plants including male sterile plants and transposon tagged plants.